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## DE VALERA ASKS FOR PEACE IN IRELAND KINDERGARTEN TOT KILLED BY AUTO

### FIVE-YEAR-OLD GIRL RUN DOWN HERE FRIDAY

**Beverly Conley Thrown to Pavement by Automobile of Walter Larson, Mindoro, While Returning from School**  
**DIES AT LA CROSSE HOSPITAL TWO HOURS AFTER ACCIDENT**  
**Internal Injuries and Fractured Skull Result in Death of Little Girl**

**LITTLE BEVERLY CONLEY**, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Conley, 1010 Badger street, was fatally injured when she was run down by a Ford sedan driven by Walter Larson, Mindoro, at Tenth and State streets, about 3:10 Friday afternoon. The girl died at the La Crosse hospital at 5:15, about two hours after the accident, from internal injuries and fractured skull.

**One Eye Witness**  
Clarence Stiggl, working in the front yard at the Phil Fisher residence, 928 State street, was the only eye witness of the accident as far as is known. Stiggl dropped his work and ran to carry the girl from the street. Stiggl accompanied the girl to the hospital in Larson's machine.

Although the accident occurred in the early afternoon, police had been called to get in touch with the driver of the car up to noon Saturday. Hospital authorities say that Larson has not been heard of since leaving the girl there shortly after a check. Returning from kindergarten with her two brothers, Hazel and Emily Dingledine, with whom she had been accustomed to walk home, the Conley girl was struck as the three were crossing State street, going north on Tenth. Larson was driving west on State at a rate of speed estimated by Stiggl at from 15 to 20 miles per hour. Seeing the on-rushing auto, the two Dingledine girls were said to have fled across the street ahead of the car, the Conley girl, becoming somewhat confused, hesitated and tried to run back as she was struck.

From all reports of the accident, it was believed that the Conley girl was struck a glancing blow by the right front wheel and fender, the first that hit her, and that she was thrown to the pavement. The machine had not passed over her body. Larson was said to have changed on his brakes and steered to the left side of the street, striking the girl with the right side of the car.

Dr. Gray attended the patient at the La Crosse hospital, and although he could not be reached Saturday morning, hospital authorities said death resulted from internal injuries from the fall to the pavement, and a fractured skull.

The funeral will be held Monday afternoon at 2:30 from the home, Rev. C. R. Shaver will officiate and interment will be in Oak Grove cemetery.

Surviving are her parents and one sister, Catherine.

**WEATHER REPORT**

For La Crosse and vicinity. Fair and somewhat warmer tonight and Sunday.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES			
Time	La Crosse	Chicago	St. Louis
6 A.	54	52	50
9 A.	58	56	54
12 M.	62	60	58
3 P.	66	64	62
6 P.	68	66	64

**RIVER CONDITIONS**

The upper end of the Wisconsin and Mississippi rivers at La Crosse are in flood stage, and the lower end of the Wisconsin and Mississippi rivers at La Crosse are in flood stage.

**RIVER BULLETIN**

Station	Height	Change
La Crosse	49.4	0.2
St. Louis	49.4	0.2
Chicago	49.4	0.2
St. Paul	49.4	0.2
Minneapolis	49.4	0.2
Omaha	49.4	0.2
Des Moines	49.4	0.2
Keokuk	49.4	0.2
Rock Island	49.4	0.2
Alton	49.4	0.2
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**NATION-WIDE RECORD**

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La Crosse	68
St. Louis	66
Chicago	64
St. Paul	62
Minneapolis	60
Omaha	58
Des Moines	56
Keokuk	54
Rock Island	52
Alton	50

### HUGHES PRESENTS ARGUMENTS FOR WORLD COURT IN ATTEMPT TO STEM TIDE OF OPPOSITION

WASHINGTON, D. C.—In a carefully studied effort to check the rising tide of opposition to the administration's world court plan, Secretary of State Hughes, addressing the American Society of International Law Friday night, declared that the United States by joining the court would incur no risk of becoming involved in the league of nations.

### Break Predicted in G. O. P. Over Harding Proposal

WASHINGTON.—An open break in the republican party is imminent, as a result of bickering over President Harding's international court proposal.

If the president stands pat, it means the retirement of responsible party leaders, even though he may lose his fight for the court. Republican senators, critical of the wisdom of the issue, hope to moderate the situation by postponement, pointing to the fact that there will be no vacancy in the international court until 1926. They would consent to "President Harding's" advocacy for future consideration. This, however, will not put an end to the schism within the party, and it became apparent today that either the heads of the republican national committee must retire, or that Mr. Harding must declare himself aloof from them.

John T. Adams, chairman of the republican national committee; William T. Wood, chairman of the republican congressional committee; and George T. Moses, chairman of the republican senatorial committee, have all aligned themselves against the president. Messrs. Adams and Wood have had heated conferences with the president recently following which bitterness was evidenced on both sides.

President Harding's choice for committee chairman, when Mr. Adams was elected, was said to have been an Ohio man, and recently from the Harding camp have emanated statements that Mr. Adams would resign to make way for the president's choice. The names of Walter E. Brown, of W. E. Hall, and of Attorney General Daugherty have been mentioned. But the committee members have resented the attempt of executive domination and are said to evidence no conciliatory spirit at this time.

The president appears to have almost unanimous support of democratic senators for the world court proposal.

### TAGGART NAMED FOR SECOND TERM ON POLICE BOARD

Local Businessman Reappointed for Five-year Term by Mayor Verchota

Mayor J. J. Verchota today announced the reappointment of Harry Taggart as member of the police and fire commission. Having a term of five years on this board, Mr. Taggart is appointed for another five-year term.

Mayor Verchota said today he had no other appointments to make until the regular monthly meeting of the common council on May 11.

### BEHNER GETS 4 YEARS FOR ALMA MURDER

Slayer of Allen Gantenbein is Found Guilty of Man-slaughter in Third Degree

### CASE GIVEN TO JURY FRIDAY NIGHT; REACH VERDICT TODAY

Defendant Was Acquitted of Killing Marshal Gantenbein, Shot Same Time as Son

ALMA, Wis.—Enos Behner was found guilty of manslaughter in the third degree in shooting Allen Gantenbein and causing his death 12 days later, by a jury here Saturday morning. Judge Thompson sentenced Behner to four years in state's prison, the maximum sentence. The case was given to the jury at 9 p. m. Friday. A verdict was reached at 10 a. m. Saturday. Behner was sentenced within a few minutes after that.

**Victims Well Known**  
The double shooting of Marshal John Gantenbein of this city, and his son, Allen, attracted widespread attention in western Wisconsin, and eastern Minnesota. Marshal Gantenbein had been village marshal for many years and was known to hundreds of people in surrounding towns and villages.

On the night of Armistice Day, last, November 11, Enos Behner, who was tending bar in the Palace saloon, while the proprietor, Henry Probst, was on a hunting trip, had a quarrel with Walter Rupp and ordered him out of the saloon because of the noise. Rupp went to Allen Gantenbein's saloon and told him his troubles. Allen, who was said to have been drinking that night, immediately wanted to go to the Palace bar and whip Behner.

He was dissuaded by Rupp and the Bataglia brothers, William and Norbert. When Allen closed his saloon about midnight, he went to the Palace bar, accompanied by Rupp and the Bataglia brothers. Allen sought to pick a quarrel with Behner, the testimony showed, and Behner left his barroom and hunted up Allen's father, the marshal, to get him to take his son out of the saloon as he wanted to close up.

**Marshal Returns to Bar**  
Marshal Gantenbein returned to the saloon with Behner. Allen and his friends were on the sidewalk. Behner started into the saloon, followed by Allen, with the marshal bringing up the rear. Rupp and the Bataglia brothers remained on the sidewalk. Behner testified that Allen Gantenbein threatened to beat him and approached him as though to pounce on him. When he appealed to the marshal, Behner said the marshal told him he had to fight.

The quarrel ended with the shooting of Allen Gantenbein and then the father. The marshal lived a few minutes after the shooting. Allen Gantenbein lingered for 12 days in the Winona general hospital.

Behner was defended by R. S. Cowie and P. E. Withrow of La Crosse. District Attorney Broadfoot, assisted by Theodore Beuhler of Alma, and Schuyler Gilman of Mondovi, prosecuted the case.

### BENTLEY IS AFTER THE CITY MANAGER JOB AT JANESVILLE

Former Mayor of La Crosse One of Forty Applicants for New Position

Arthur A. Bentley, former mayor of La Crosse, is a candidate for appointment to the position of city manager at Janesville.

According to a dispatch received from Janesville today, Mr. Bentley's application, filed early this week, was among 40 considered at a meeting of the common council Friday night. No action was taken on any of the applications last night.

### PEACE OFFERS TO BE MADE TO BLAINE IN ATTEMPT TO GET COMPROMISE TAX BILL

### 40 GALLONS HOOGH SEIZED BY SHERIFF AT SALEM STATION

Liquor in Five-gallon Cans in Containers Labeled "Lime Sulphur Solution"

FOUR large sized wooden boxes, nestled in a corner in the sheriff's office, on Saturday gave mute evidence of the activity of Sheriff B. J. Lund and Undersheriff Miller in intercepting a shipment of 40 gallons of alcohol bound for La Crosse, but which got only as far as West Salem. The alcohol was confiscated in the freight depot of the North Western station in Salem Friday afternoon. The authorities acted on a tip revealed by a special delivery letter and a telegram found on Roy Rogers after he was arrested on a charge of intoxication on Friday by the police. Rogers was arraigned before Police Judge Hunt on charges of intoxication and was fined \$12.50.

**Sheriff Plays Hunch**  
The communications were from Chicago. The letter written on hotel stationery and the other a wire, while they did not mention alcohol specifically, mentioned "cases" and also the fact that they had been shipped to Sparta when they were intended for a man in La Crosse. That was enough to pique the hunch of the sheriff's office. At noon a dash was made to Salem by Lund and Miller.

Investigation at the North Western depot revealed two cases of "lime sulphur solution," with elaborate instructions on how to use, how much water to mix with it, and the season of the year for using. It was sent by the Grassell company, Chicago, to George Jackson, West Salem. At Salem nobody apparently knew.

**See Cases Unloaded**  
While Lund and Miller hovered about the station the North Western train that comes from the east about noon blew in. Two more of the same kind of cases were unloaded from the express car. Lund and Miller reflected on the situation for a time and then interviewed the freight agent about the matter. He said \$8.32 was due for both shipments. Sheriff Lund paid the charges and the cases were delivered to him.

The cases were ripped open. Each case contained two five-gallon cans of alcohol, 40 gallons in all. The sheriff's hunch was right.

The liquor is being held subject to the orders of the federal prohibition director for Wisconsin, as the alcohol was an interstate shipment. All letters, wires, etc., pertaining to the case also will be turned over to him. Roy Rogers, however, denies that he is Jackson, that he knows anything about the alcohol.

### RIVER IS RISING; MAY REACH FLOOD STAGE YET, REPORT

That high water, which usually troubles La Crosse earlier in the season, may yet make itself felt here, was the opinion expressed by rivermen Saturday morning. The river has been rising steadily for the past few days, and has now reached a stage of 5.7 feet. The flood stage at this point is 12 feet.

The lower end of Pettibone Island is being covered with water, and the marshes along the upperway are slowly filling up. Residents of the Goose Green district on the north side are beginning to think that they may have to use their boats again this year, after all.

### TWO TRAINS ON THE NORTHWESTERN ROAD GO BACK MONDAY

When two passenger trains are restored on the Northwestern railroad Monday the time of one, No. 508, east bound, will be changed from 5:05 a. m. to 7:55 a. m. according to notification received by the Chamber of Commerce. The other train to be put back into service Monday, west bound, will leave here at 12:45 p. m.

### AMERICAN CONSUL TO LEAVE SIBERIA

HARBIN, Manchuria, (Puckey) S. Tuck, American consul at Vladivostok, is leaving Russia with his staff May 1. Vice Consul Edward B. Thomas, stationed at Chita, is taking similar action.

### PROPOSE CONFERENCE BETWEEN BLAINE AND PROGRESSIVE CHIEFS

Indications are Blaine Measure Has Little Chance of Getting Through Legislature

MADISON, Wis.—Peace offers are soon to be made to Governor Blaine in the tax controversy, it is being upped the Wisconsin legislature. A suggestion, expected to come from a high state official, will be made for a conference between the governor and progressive republican leaders in an effort to draft a revenue measure that can get through both houses.

This state officer has come to the conclusion, he says, that the governor's tax bill cannot muster enough votes to get through the senate. He bases his conclusion on the opposition of thirteen stalwart senators, the opposition of three socialists and four additional progressives.

**To Ask Conference**  
In a letter, which probably will be sent to the governor, it is learned that this official asks that Governor Blaine call into conference Senator B. J. Severson, Speaker John L. Dahl, Attorney General L. E. Kern and other leaders for the purpose of drawing up a compromise measure that would fulfill progressive republican pledges for tax revision.

The governor's letter to the joint committee on finance, asking that a tax bill be passed by the present session of the legislature, did not specifically request that his own bill be accepted, legislative leaders were pointing out. They say that this indicates a probable realization that this measure in its present form cannot get through the upper house.

### FIRE DESTROYS BARN AT MARKLE FARM SATURDAY

Blaze Saturday Morning Consumes Barn and Haystack and Three Automobiles

A disastrous fire occurred at the farm of S. P. Markle, route No. 1, Mormon Coulee road, just south of Stephan's Inn, when the large barn and haystack were totally destroyed. Three cars, including a new Ford sedan, housed in the barn, were destroyed by the fire, along with other farm equipment. The cattle and horses were saved.

The fire broke out shortly after 11 o'clock Saturday morning. The origin is not known.

### CHARGES AGAINST KLAN ARE FALSE SAYS "OLD SKIP"

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Captain J. K. Skipwith of the Morehouse Ku Klux Klan in an address here Friday night declared practically everything that has been printed about the "klan scandal down in Louisiana" was false. The bodies of two men taken from a lake in Morehouse parish, La., declared by the state to be those of Walt Daniel and T. F. Richard, kidnapped and killed by a hooded band, were not those of the missing men but were "shipped and planted," he said.

### GERMANS DEPORTED FROM RUHR AREA

BERLIN.—By The Associated Press.—Expulsions from the occupied area approximate 20,000 according to German official circles. Giving figures up to April 15, Herr Von Braun, the Prussian premier, told a committee of the diet Friday that 4,884 individuals had been formally expelled but the number affected was about 20,000 as members of their families were sent out with the expelled men.

### HALTS WAR AND OFFERS TRUCE TO FREE STATE

Willing to Negotiate Peace on Certain Conditions Republican Leader Announces

### SUSPENSION OF HOSTILITIES IS ORDERED BY IRREGULAR CHIEF

Careful Consideration Given Subject by Government Officials

DUBLIN.—By The Associated Press.—Eamon De Valera's proposals for peace stand no chance of acceptance until he explains his terms more clearly, according to the opinion expressed Saturday in Dublin's political circles.

No cabinet meeting was held. Some of the ministers left town and there is no intention to hold week-end council to discuss the proclamation.

DUBLIN.—By The Associated Press.—A suspension of hostilities by the Irish republicans against the forces of the Free State government, and an offer to negotiate peace with the Free State on certain conditions, were proclaimed Friday night by Eamon de Valera, the republican leader, and his chief of staff, E. F. Aiken.

De Valera's proclamation sets forth the general political principles of the republicans, and asserts that the ultimate court of appeals for deciding disputed questions is a majority vote of the people of Ireland; that resistance by violence should be extended, but that adequate facilities should be afforded the people for a proper presentation of the issues involved.

**Would Waive Allegiance Pledge**  
The proclamation adds that nobody holding republican views should be excluded from parliament and the council of the nation. It says the military forces are servants of the nation and amenable to a freely elected assembly.

This position set forth in Article IV is taken in some quarters as expressing the desire that the oath of allegiance, prescribed by the treaty with Great Britain may be waived. The article asserts that no class of individuals who subscribe to the principles of national right, order and good citizenship contained in the proclamation can be justly excluded by any political party or other device from a proper share and influence in determining national policy, or from the councils and parliament of the nation.

Another of the stipulations is that "freedom to express political or economic opinions, or to advocate political or economic programs, freedom to assemble in public meetings, and freedom to press a right of citizenship and of community, must not be abrogated."

**De Valera Basis for Peace**  
De Valera expresses the belief that his declaration affords a basis for peace and adds:

"We hope this advance will be met in the spirit in which we make it, and that it will be supported by all who love our country and desire a speedy and just ending to the present national trouble."

"As evidence of our own good will the army command is issuing here-with an order to suspend aggressive action, to take effect as soon as may be, but not later than noon of Monday."

**Rebels Cling to Arms**  
The effect of this proclamation is still doubtful. De Valera all along has declared his willingness to abide by a decision based on the free will of the people, but he has not maintained his original position that the British government must not interfere in Ireland if the people decide in favor of a republic.

Chief of Staff Aiken in his order for a cessation of offensive operations tells the republican troops to remain on the defensive and protect themselves and their munitions. This is taken as implying that there is no yielding on the part of the republicans to the Free State government's demand for the surrender of all arms.

**Order to Republican Army**  
Aiken's order follows:

"To all commands and independent brigades:

"Suspension of offensive. In order to give effect to the decision of the government and army council embodied in the attached proclamation you will arrange a suspension of all offensive operations in your area as from noon Monday, April 30.

"You will insure that whilst remaining on the defensive all units take adequate measures to protect themselves and their munitions."

**Government Considers Offer**  
DUBLIN.—By The Associated Press.—Eamon de Valera's statement of the conditions on which the Irish republicans are willing to negotiate peace sheds little new light on the political situation. In the opinion of Free State government circles, although it does contain a definite order suspending hostilities, as evidence of the irregular "good will."

Kevin O'Higgins, Free State minister of home affairs, did not expect his (Continued on page six)



SERVICES FOR SUNDAY IN CHURCHES OF LA CROSSE

**Go To Church TOMORROW**

**METHODIST**

The West Avenue M. E. church, the home church, corner Jackson and Twelfth streets, M. R. Philpott, pastor. The morning worship hour is 8:30. Reception of members.

At 11:30 a. m. a wide awake Sunday school is in session. Lewis Nelson, superintendent.

At 4:45 the Epworth League have the devotionals meeting. Miss Gladie Hildner, leader.

The hour for evening service is 7:30. Roy Scouson, pastor. Tuesday at 7:30. The choir meets Wednesday at 8 o'clock.

The Camp Fire Girls hold their weekly meeting Thursday at 7:15 in the church.

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**CALADANIA STREET METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Mr. Fletcher of the Y. M. C. A. will speak. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. The new pastor, Rev. H. K. Kline, will be on hand May 1st and will have charge of all services next Sunday.

**First Methodist church, Rev. E. C. Dixon, pastor.**

Sunday school at 10 a. m. Prof. M. J. Lyons, superintendent.

Morning worship at 11 a. m. The musical numbers will consist of a trio. At 11:30 a. m. the choir will sing "The Holy Church" by Mrs. F. J. F. and Misses Foxwell and Schaller, and a solo, "These Are They Which Came," by Mrs. F. J. F. The pastor will deliver the sermon, "The Sermon on the Mount," at 12:30 p. m. The church is in session at 2:30 p. m. and the Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. The choir meets Wednesday at 8 o'clock.

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**Bethel Lutheran church, corner of George and 5th streets, Ralph Mortensen, pastor.**

Sunday: 8:30 a. m. Sunday Bible school. Mr. Alf. Sorenson, superintendent. Classes primary to adult in English. 10:30—Morning worship in English. Sermon: "Jesus the Great Teacher." The church is in session at 2:30 p. m. and the Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. The choir meets Wednesday at 8 o'clock.

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**St. Paul's Lutheran church, West Avenue and Division street, H. T. Braa, pastor.**

Sunday school at 9 o'clock. Please take note of change of time. English service at 10 o'clock. Norwegian sermon at 11 o'clock. Boy Scouts meeting Monday evening.

The church meets Tuesday evening. Thursday afternoon the Ladies Aid society meets at 2:30 p. m. and the Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. The choir meets Wednesday at 8 o'clock.

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**St. John's Reformed church, Fourth and Market streets, F. E. Stuckl, pastor.**

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Mr. G. Leiger, superintendent. Members will please note change in time and be punctual in attendance. Divine worship at 10:30 a. m. Sermon in the German language. Y. P. S. devotionals meeting at 6:30 p. m. The pastor will lead this time. Topic: "The Christian's Duty to the World." Every member be prepared to ask some question about our Reformed church and its work in the world. The pastor will then answer in the meeting.

An English evening service at 7:30 p. m. A course in German will be given on Tuesday evening. Boy Scouts meeting Tuesday afternoon the ladies meet in the canvassing committee at the parsonage for reports on results attained at the last year's work.

Wednesday evening orchestra rehearsal at 7:30.

Thursday afternoon regular monthly business meeting of the Ladies' society. Thursday evening choir rehearsal. Mr. A. Fluck, director.

**CONGREGATIONAL**

The First Congregational church, Second and Main streets, Rev. Carlos C. Rowland, pastor.

Service of public worship at 10:30 a. m. April sermons have dealt with the theme, "The Christian's Duty to the World." Its probability, its nature have been the themes heretofore. The subject tomorrow is "The Way." The musical numbers are:

Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Holiness company meeting at 2 p. m. Starting at 2 p. m. a red and blue contest. Come and get in on the start.

Saturday evening at 8 p. m. Subject: "In Bonds." Delivered by officer in charge bound hands and feet. This meeting is preceded by a street meeting.

Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. Come and enjoy a fellowship meeting. A family meeting in the upper chamber. Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Home League Sewing Circle meets at 7:30 p. m. A meeting conducted by the young people. Also an open air at 7:30 p. m.

Friday night at 8 o'clock. Public prayer meeting. Do you want a better city, a better community? Come and pray about it. Prayer changes things. Capt. and Mrs. H. Ivan Ryan, officers in charge, 314 South Fourth street.

**EPISCOPAL**

The Sunday services at Christ church, corner of Ninth and Main streets, Rev. Robert G. Vetter, pastor, will be: Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. Church school at 10 a. m. Morning prayer with sermon by the pastor at 10:45 a. m.

The music at the 10:45 service, under the direction of Prof. Christopher Thomsen, will be as follows:

(a) "Reverie"..... Saint-Saens (b) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (c) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (d) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (e) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (f) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (g) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (h) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (i) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (j) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (k) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (l) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (m) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (n) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (o) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (p) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (q) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (r) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (s) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (t) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (u) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (v) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (w) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (x) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (y) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon (z) "The Lost Chord"..... Anthon

**WHAT kind of a Church would my Church be; If all of its members were Just like me?**

—ENOUGH SAID!

**TOMORROW**

Monday at 8:00 Miss Helen Hobart, national secretary of the W. W. G. will speak to the children in the church. At 8:00 Miss Hobart will speak again.

Monday at 7 meeting of the Boy Scouts.

Wednesday the church will hold its annual business meeting. Supper will be served from 5:30 to 7:30 by Mr. J. A. Charlesworth. All monies received from this supper will go towards the decoration fund of the church. Balloting will be in process from 6 to 8. All officers will give their annual report and the officers for the new church year will be chosen.

The January Circle will meet Wednesday afternoon May 2nd, with Mrs. Tidale, 923 King street.

**EVANGELICAL**

The Norwegian Evangelical Free church, corner of Fifteenth and Winnebago streets, H. Nording, pastor.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Morning worship at 11 a. m. Evening worship at 8 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 p. m.

**SPIRITUALIST**

Spiritualist church Sunday evening, 328 South Twenty-third street. The pastor, Rev. Catharine McFarlin, will discourse upon "Scenes in the Summer Land" with psychic delineations and spiritual messages. Services begin at 8 o'clock.

The mid-week reading class, which has been held throughout the winter on Thursday afternoons, will be postponed for a time during the house-cleaning period.

All interested are cordially invited to the Sunday evening meeting.

**Y. W. C. A.**

Young Women's Christian association, 120 Main street. Vesper services Sunday at 4:30. Speaker, Prof. W. C. Greenwald. Violin solo by Miss Mildred Olson, accompanied by Miss Evelyn Hauser. Ladies of the English Lutheran church will serve Vesper Tea at 5:30.

**BAPTIST**

First Baptist church, W. S. Stewart, pastor.

Sunday school at 9:45.

Sermon at 11. The sermon topic will be "Christian Guide Dests."

B. F. P. U. at 6:30.

Evening worship at 7:30. The sermon topic will be "A Great Truth."

**PRESBYTERIAN**

First Presbyterian church, Sixth and King streets, Claude R. Shaver, minister.

Morning worship at 10:30 is planned especially for the general public. The theme is: "Belief as a Measure of Blessing," or the extent to which faith brings life victories.

Evening at 7:30 we will exhibit "Picture Stories of Chained Lives" with stereopticon views of scenes from Japan and India.

For children we will show some child clippings of life along the streets of Japan. This will occur in the parlors at 2:30 in the afternoon. Parents will be welcome also.

Bible schools meet in the church at 8:45 a. m. with classes for all ages in charge of capable teachers. Martin Stenstrom, superintendent. Senior department. Mrs. F. H. Scheld, Junior. Grace chapel school meets at 2:30 p. m. Young people meet in the parlors at 6:30 p. m. World Service of our denomination will be the subject, which will be presented by the pastor. Needlecraft club will be entertained on Wednesday afternoon by Messdames Martin Stenstrom and W. H. Guckenbuhl at the home of the latter, 330 South Twenty-third street.

North Presbyterian church, corner of Avon and Logan streets, John Newton Strain, minister.

Sabbath school at 9:45. A place for all who want to make good in after life.

Morning worship at 11. Theme: "Just as Faith is a rule of life, so it is a little better than there? It's up to you, the making is in your hands of what you are." Evening theme: "God and Christ, Satan and Man." Young people meeting at 6:30. Did you share the fine evening Wednesday they had?

Mid-week Bible study. Mt. 5:1-18. Lk. 13:1-9.

Wear? Then why not come to church? Try it as a change.

**ASK BIDS ON SHIPS**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The ship-building board, invited bids for all its bottoms, in conformity with its policy to turn the \$3,000,000,000 fleet over to private ownership.

**N. Y. SOLON DEAD**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Representative Riordan, democrat, a veteran of the New York delegation, died.

**SACRED CONCERT IS SET FOR MONDAY AT CHURCH IN VIROQUA**

**Congregational Choir, Assisted by Viroqua Concert Orchestra, Plans Musical Treat**

VIROQUA, Wis.—On Monday evening the Congregational church choir, assisted by the Viroqua concert orchestra, will give a secular and sacred concert at the Congregational church. The proceeds will go toward purchasing new hymnals for the church. The program follows:

**Viroqua Concert Orchestra**

Summer showers..... Orchestra  
Harmony of Love..... Orchestra  
Evening, By Grace..... Orchestra  
Flute Solo..... E. P. Ryan  
After Sunset..... Orchestra

**PART II**

Anthem..... Gloria from Twelfth Mass  
The..... Fraise Vo from Attila  
The..... We'll sing and Goldsmith  
Anthem..... Praise The Name of God  
Choir

Anthem..... Unto Thee Will I Sing

**PART III**

Gloria Solo..... Berceuse  
Readings..... Eva Slack  
Ladies' Quartet..... Eva Slack  
Nye, Lindemann, Marshall, We'll sing  
Prison Song from H. Transvaal  
Mrs. Nye, Mrs. A. Parker, Mrs. Nye, Berge, McIntosh, Goldsmith

Solo..... World Is Waiting For the Sunrise  
Robert Nye

Readings..... Eva Slack  
Solo..... The Lambeth Hour  
Solo..... Sunrise and You

Anthem..... The Lord Is My Strength  
Following is the personnel of the choir: Mrs. W. E. Lindemann, director; C. A. Parker, E. M. Nye, Chris Berge, Mrs. E. M. Nye, Mrs. A. Parker, Mrs. R. We'll sing, Mrs. George Marshall, Miss Virginia Fay Smith, Mr. H. E. Goldsmith, Mrs. F. M. McIntosh.

A tree planting is planned for Viroqua for the first week in May, when the large supply of maple and elm trees, purchased by the city, will be planted. The trees can be purchased at the low price of forty cents each and will be set free of charge by the city. It is desired that the planting may be all completed within the week. The city council, with Acting Mayor Stewart as chairman, were appointed by the Viroqua community as a committee on the tree planting in a move to beautify the city. Many of Viroqua's beautiful shade trees were destroyed in the ice storm two years ago.

Many Viroquans are planning to spend Tuesday, the opening day of the trout season on the streams north of this city. A fishing party, including the Messrs. and Messdames John E. Stoll, George and Rev. Harry will leave Viroqua Monday for a few days fishing trip near Black River Falls. Fisherman are planning a day near Sparta.

**CANNERY DOUBLES OUTPUT**

LANCASTER, Wis.—The Lancaster Canning company, making an annual pack of sweet corn, will this year double its capacity and pack peas as well. A car of good peas has been shipped to from Idaho and farmers nearby have agreed to plant 1,400 acres of peas.

**FREE TEXTBOOKS FOR SCHOOLS DEBATED AT COMMITTEE HEARING**

MADISON, Wis.—The question of free textbooks for public schools, which has been a bone of contention in practically every legislature for the last twenty years, was again threshed out at a joint hearing of the education committee Friday.

Assemblyman E. H. Johnson of Burnett county, author of the free text book bill now pending, urged passage of the bill because of the relief it would bring to poor families who have a large number of children to educate, while the Rev. James Opler of Milwaukee, representing the Catholic Social Union, expressed opposition because it would work a hardship on members of his church.

**EDUCATIONAL BILLS UP FOR DISCUSSION IN ASSEMBLY MAY 2**

MADISON, Wis.—Abolition of the state board of education and the creation of a new educational board clothed with all the powers of the present normal board and central educational board will be threshed out in the assembly next Wednesday. The original Governor's bill as passed in the senate provided for the removal of the central board of education.

When the measure came up for consideration in the house, Assemblyman J. D. Miller offered a substitute bill which wipes out both of the boards. This would remove by legislation both Major E. A. Fitzpatrick of the educational board and William Kittle, for many years secretary of the board of normal regents.

There have been some differences for many months between Mr. Fitzpatrick and Mr. Kittle on educational problems and the situation has become more acute since the legislature convened.

The Miller bill creates a board of eleven members, eight of whom would be appointed by the governor, two would be appointed by other educational boards and the state superintendent would be the eleventh member. This new board would have supervision of the nine normal schools of the state, the Stout Institute, the Mining school at Platteville and other educational agencies of the state that deal with the training of teachers.

**AWAIT CONGRESS AUTHORITY TO MODERNIZE OLDER SHIPS**

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Modernization of the older ships of the American fleet will await specific authority from congress, Secretary Denby announced today, and the department will temporarily abandon contemplated post-war improvements.

**BLAINE VEToes BILL TO RAISE STANDARD FOR H. S. TEACHERS**

**Measure Would Bar Two-year Normal Graduates from Teaching in High Schools**

MADISON, Wis.—Governor Blaine Saturday vetoed the Ridgway bill intended to force higher requirements for teachers in Wisconsin high schools, upon the ground that the effect of the measure is to prohibit, after July 1, 1924, graduates of two-year normal school courses from teaching in any high school and certain graded schools.

"If this bill were to become law," the governor said, "it would have the direct tendency to discourage the establishment of high schools in rural communities, due to increased cost of instruction."

"I can safely suggest that the tendency of this bill is to establish eventually in the normal schools a four-year course of training before the student will be entitled to teach in high schools. Heretofore graduates from normal school two-year courses have been permitted to teach in schools from which they would be excluded under this bill."

The governor said that there was no public demand for the change.

**FORTY INJURED AS NEW LONDON STADIUM IS OPENED FOR GAME**

LONDON.—By The Associated Press.—The new stadium at Wembley Hill, with a capacity of 120,000 spectators, was the scene of disorders Saturday afternoon when it opened with the association football final to decide the championship between England and Wales. Forty casualties resulted when the doors were opened after the stadium was full. The game was suspended for a time when spectators swarmed on the field.

**RECOVER STOLEN BONDS**

IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich.—Two thousand five hundred dollars in bonds belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hartnett of Hermansville, stolen from a bank at that place October 22, 1922, when bandits looted the institution, have been recovered by their attorneys, M. J. Doyle and George Barstow of Menominee.

A bond for \$2,000 was in possession of Frank Powers, a Chicago broker, who claimed he loaned \$500 on the Iron Mountain Paper company, was found on the person of a man who was arrested at Chicago after a fight with a taxicab driver. Chicago authorities held the bond as evidence against the man, but returned it a few days ago to the owners.

**Local News**

Dance, Yeomen hall, Saturday. Golden Gate Band, Mason City, Ia. Best on road. Gabel's Broadway Entertainers Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Tretalle, 1800 Wood street, are the parents of a son born at the Lutheran hospital, Saturday, April 25, at 10:30 a. m. Special mixture of lawn grass and Kienahs Greenhouses.

Extra—Famous Golden Gate Band will entertain you tonight, 200 block Main, 7:30 to 8:30, then at Yeomen hall, Gabel's Broadway Entertainers Sunday.

Mrs. H. Sprague, Portland, Ore., is visiting her brother, M. B. Savage.

Catholic Women's League Bazaar Tuesday, May 1st, at K. of C. hall. Aprons, children's clothing, lingerie, towels, candy and flowers.

Mrs. W. Quiggle of West Salem visited relatives here yesterday.

Bicycle bargains, Wells Book store.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason have returned to Sparta after visiting their son at 1637 Avon street.

Special mixture of lawn grass and clover seed. Packed and sold by Kienahs Greenhouses.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gray have returned to Sparta after a visit here.

Dance, Old Style Inn, Sat., Apr. 23. Obrecht's orchestra.

Miss Thelma Shain has returned from a visit in West Salem.

Klawitter Transfer and Storage Co. The best and cheapest storage in town. Absolutely fireproof and dry. We can store anything. Phone 343.

Mrs. D. Willes, 1609 Avon street, left for a visit with her sons in Duluth.

La Fortuna Cigars—"for men." John Borg, Gateway City Transfer Co. is a visitor in the city Friday.

Pochling's store, Buster Brown Hose for men, women, children.

Phone 179 before 6 p. m. for baggage calls. Gateway City Transfer Co. Mrs. C. W. Noble has returned from a visit in Chicago.

Plumbing as it should be done. W. F. Schram. Phone 46.

E. R. A. Nye of West Salem was in La Crosse on Saturday.

Dr. Thornton, Osteopath, Rivoli Bz. Mrs. Arthur Elmsan, 830 Farum street, was taken suddenly ill Friday.

**GERMAN WAR DEAD NEARLY 2 MILLION STATISTICS SHOW**

BERLIN.—Germany lost 1,846,293 dead in the world war, according to official statistics just brought up to date. The number of dependents left by those who lost their lives is fixed at 1,945,000.

Of the dead, 58,133 were officers and officials; 212,000 noncommissioned and warrant officers; 1,572,523 enlisted men; and 5,568 men whose ranks were not reported.

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## ASK ASSEMBLYMAN SCHMIDT

THE Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another. I Thessalonians 3: 12.

## Ask Assemblyman Schmidt

IT IS the first evidence of statesmanship that when one is uninformed upon a subject, one goes to those who are informed and takes possession of the facts. The next step in statesmanship is to be guided by the facts, quite regardless of influence or coercion. One who fails to do both may as well abandon the idea of attaining statesmanship or political prominence, for without these two essentials he will start wrong and end wrong, excepting for an occasional lucky guess.

Not many assemblymen know much about educational problems involved in the state board of education. They are asked to shut their eyes and wipe it out of existence, as a mere pawn in the political chess game.

That would be stupid. It would reflect upon the intelligence of every assemblyman who yielded to the impulse to do so. The thing to do is to go to those who know, and who are disinterested, and find out.

There is in the assembly a man who knows. He knows because he has given his life to education. He has been a teacher in more than one great university. He knows the educational problem from the standpoint of the teacher.

But he has of late become a farmer, and so he knows, too, the problem of education from the standpoint of those who toil in shop and on farm. He knows what the masses need in education. He knows how it should be given them.

That assemblyman is no weakling. Not so long ago Professor George W. Schmidt, assemblyman from Clark county, went to jail in defense of Senator Robert M. La Follette. Today, we verily believe, he would go to jail if by so doing he could save the state board of education, because he believes it to be a great agency for the extension of practical education to the sons and daughters of the farmer and the city worker. None knows more of this problem than he, whose opportunities for studying it have been greater by far than have come to the common run of governors and senators.

There are others, too, thoroughly well informed, like A. E. Smith, Viroqua; former head of the county training school, and J. W. Salter, a member of the state board of education.

Why do not assemblymen work together, depending one upon another for lines of information in which this or that one has special knowledge? The political pot is boiling. Politicians are engaged in a disgraceful fight for Senator La Follette's shoes while he is yet better able to wear them than is any of them. In that contest for power legislative measures are becoming the checkers on the checkerboard of politics. Assemblymen are pulled and hauled for or against one measure after another, and in almost every case the prize is not the common welfare, but the political power which victory brings. Assemblymen who think for themselves, who search for the truth and take it for their only guide, will survive the aftermath in which only good and faithful servants will remain in office.

## This Summer

WE'VE been having queer weather lately in most parts of the United States. And we may be in for a queer, unseasonal summer. The Weather Bureau in Washington reports that 1922 was the sixth year in succession with temperatures generally above normal east of the Rocky Mountains. Since nature in the long run keeps the average yearly temperature finely balanced, the reaction from these six abnormally warm years may be an abnormally cold year. However, a cold summer is due probably not until about 1926, in line with the climax of the "55-year cycle."

Go back two cycles (110 years) from 1926 and you have 1816, "the year without a summer. Snow fell and ice formed in July in many of the northern states, and seed corn in 1816 sold as high as \$4 a bushel." Herbert J. Browne writes in Henry Ford's Dearborn Independent. Browne quotes from the diary of Charles Peirce of Philadelphia: "August, 1816—Cheerless and cold. Northeast rains. Ice one-half-inch thick. Indian corn frozen." While 1816 was extraor-

dinarily cold, it was merely one of the "summerless years" that come periodically. The Black Sea and the Dardanelles have been frozen over within recorded history. And in the year 1384 even the Adriatic froze.

One thing that helped make 1816 very cold, Browne writes, was the explosion of a huge volcano in the Dutch East Indies in 1815. Fine volcanic dust spread through the atmosphere all over the earth, excluding much sunlight the following year, 1816. There was, of course, no such catastrophe in 1922, and that will keep the summer of 1923 normally warm. Another thing favorable to a warm summer this year is the fact that the Arctic Ocean, which has a tremendous determining influence on our weather, has been exceptionally warm this winter. Freakish conditions in the northland are reported by the American consul at Bergen, Norway. He says the cold-water fish have flocked northward. Ice caps in the arctic are retreating. In Greenland glaciers are melting and exposing ground that had been covered by ice always within the memory of the oldest inhabitants. The scientific evidence, coupled with precedent, indicates that the summer of 1923 probably will be a warm one, and that the weather will even itself up by sending us a cold summer about 1926—though possibly sooner.

## Northward

ANOTHER big-scale migration of southern negro farmers to northern industrial centers is reported by field agents of the Department of Agriculture. In Georgia alone, 32,000 have hit the northern trail, nearly a tenth of the state's negro farmers, in less than a year. When hard times come again, they'll be singing "Dixie." Eventually the negro population will apparently be distributed about equally all over the United States. They're invading the north rapidly.

## Antiquated

FROM Japan comes a photograph of a farmer irrigating his rice fields. Water is pumped by a paddlewheel, the farmer making the wheel revolve by climbing the paddles like you climb stairs. He holds to a pole as he monotonously climbs the primitive treadmill. From this you turn to the American farmer, pumping water by turning a valve in a pipe or starting a gasoline engine. Maybe Kipling was wrong, but if east ever does meet west, it'll have to bridge a wide gap.

## Mating

ALL MEN don't marry wives—some are married to them, comments Professor Ernest R. Groves of Boston University. It's an old line of patter with a new twist. Whether men really select and court their wives, or whether they are kidded into thinking they do (after the girls select them), is an old subject of controversy. What difference does it make, if both are happy afterward? Selection on the average is 50-50.

Few movie actresses are chosen for their faces. Usually, it is merely a matter of form.

The poor people in China eat rats, the poor people.

## In Ye Olden Times

## TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

By a deal that took less than two hours to finish the Scott-Rose company today took over the \$20,000 stock of the Komis-Robertson company. The deal came about through the growth of Mr. Komis' business in Chicago where he has five stores.

Word has been received by relatives here from Roy E. Peterson, formerly of this city but now employed at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, that he landed in New York today and will arrive here in a few days.

L. La Point and Patrick McKillip, two local steamboat men, have left for St. Louis to ship on the steamboat Lucia for the season.

According to a deed filed today Rev. Henry Faville has sold his home on Main street to the trustees of the Congregational church for \$5,000.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

A. R. Van Loon of New Amsterdam is in the city today arranging to leave for Oklahoma where he intends to locate permanently if he finds the country satisfactory.

Rev. E. L. Davis is moving his house from 1901 Berlin street to the corner of Gillette and Prospect streets.

Prof. Moritz Langstadt took his big launch "The Peerless" out of winter quarters yesterday and with a party of friends went up the river. A swift run was made from the railroad bridge to the wagon bridge, the time being just ten minutes.

Jostad & Sohn, the new lumber firm at Mindoro, have just about finished sawing their big lot of logs and the lot south of their mill has quite the appearance of a lumber yard.

Mr. Gargill was seen on the road yesterday and today in his new automobile.

Jackson Lennon, the well known merchant of the La Crosse News company of Main street, died this morning at his home, 614 South Fourth street of pneumonia. He was a pioneer resident of La Crosse, coming here when Front street was the city's only thoroughfare. He was sixty years old.

## THIRTY YEARS AGO TODAY

The vacancies in Reliance Hose Company caused by the removal of Elias Hobbs to Bangor and the resignation of George Grover, have been filled by the election of Ole Julesberry and Joseph Kneasel to their places.

Miss Bertha Rick met with the trustees of the Congregational church last night and accepted a call to the assistant pastorate.

A little snow fell last night but was gone this morning.

Ex-Fire Chief C. A. Hunt will conduct a marble business in the building formerly occupied as a butcher shop by R. T. Wilson, corner Fourth and Jay streets.

Hans Johnson, bartender at the American House, went to Westby today to go into business for himself.

## Over the Phone

BY CORONA REMINGTON.

"Daddy, if John Harrison asks—asks you for me, what'll you say?"

"What do you want me to say, daughter?"

"Oh, I—I think he's wonderful. I love him most to death, but he doesn't know it."

"I suspect he does, Myrtle," laughed Wilton. "After you girls think you fool us when you don't. We're not altogether as stupid as we look, and sometimes you're not as clever as you think you are. So it happens once in a while that the only folks that are getting fooled are those attempting the deception."

"Oh, daddy, you're teasing now. Of course he knows I like him heaps and oceans, but I perfectly certain he doesn't know I love him enough to marry him."

"Are you certain yourself that you do?"

"Oh, absolutely. I know it the first second I ever saw him, and I've been knowing it every second since—every single one."

"Mercy on us! Case of love at first sight, eh? Well, I never thought of him as a possible son, so I haven't paid much attention to him. Is he doing well in business? He's with the Sunset City Coal people, I believe."

"Yes, but he wants to get to be vice president of something big. He's worked there nine years and they're awfully stogy with their promotions."

"Maybe it's his fault. I'll investigate and tell you more about it afterward."

"I don't care whom you blame, but you mustn't put it on him. It's not his fault and he can't help it that he's still on a salary instead of being a big stockholder, as he deserves to be."

"There, there, daughter, don't get upset about it. I daresay you're right."

A few days later Mr. Wilton had a casual talk with a friend at the club, and the friend was blissfully unconscious of the fact that he was being put through the third degree. So much for Wilton's law training. As strangers are prone to do, he made inquiry about a number of the business houses in town, and among them the Sunset City Coal company. He asked no more questions about it and showed no more interest in it than he did in the others. Nor was the well-dressed young man in the chair opposite him the only one who unknowingly testified for or against John Harrison that day.

As it happened, Mr. Wilton had made his investigations just in time for that very evening Harrison, flushed and stammering, sat on the edge of a chair in the library and tried to state his case.

"I know what you want to say," smiled Wilton kindly, his gray eyes sparkling with amusement. "I had it to do once myself and I haven't forgotten it yet. But the old man didn't help me out—not a bit of it. Well, to get down to business. You love her, of course; no use asking fool questions. Can you support her?"

"Not as I would like to. That is, just get—but I can make her comfortable."

"Humm, suppose you give me twenty-four hours to think it over?"

"All right, sir. I don't know how I'll ever live through the suspense, but I guess I'll have to try."

Early the next day, Mr. Wilton picked up the telephone and gave a number.

"Is this Mr. Harrison?" he asked.

"John Wilton speaking. Just wanted to say one thing: you seem to be a pretty fine fellow and I admire you, and all that, but you can't marry Myrtle until you get a little further up the business ladder. If you don't deserve a promotion you're not worthy of my daughter. If you do you ought to get it, and you ought to have backbone enough to go after it. I haven't lived here long enough to know the members of your firm, but whoever's over you needs a good stiff talking to. If he's an unprogressive old mossback, and you can't do anything with him, get out; but I believe you've got it in you to bring him around. And, remember one thing—no promotion, no wedding. I'll wait, remember another thing, young man, it's not the money side of it that bothers me. Myrtle'll have \$200,000 in her own name when she's of age. It's not that, it's the backbone. Good-by."

Wilton hung up the receiver and things happened pretty swiftly after that. Just before luncheon young Harrison came tearing into his office like a baby tornado.

"They've promised to make me vice president. May I marry her now?"

"No. Not right away. I advise you to wait a few minutes anyhow."

"Oh, you know what I mean. May I marry if she's willing?"

"I'm absolutely the happiest man in America."

"Superlatives!" laughed Wilton. "The worst is, the very worst is, Harrison went on, 'I can't get out to tell Myrtle until this evening. The old man gets furious if I'm five minutes late coming back from lunch. He was never a minute late in his whole life.'"

"It will keep and you'll enjoy the anticipation."

"Poor consolation, but I've got to put up with it. You won't tell Myrtle, will you?"

"Not I. But why don't you phone her?"

"Phones are such unsatisfactory things."

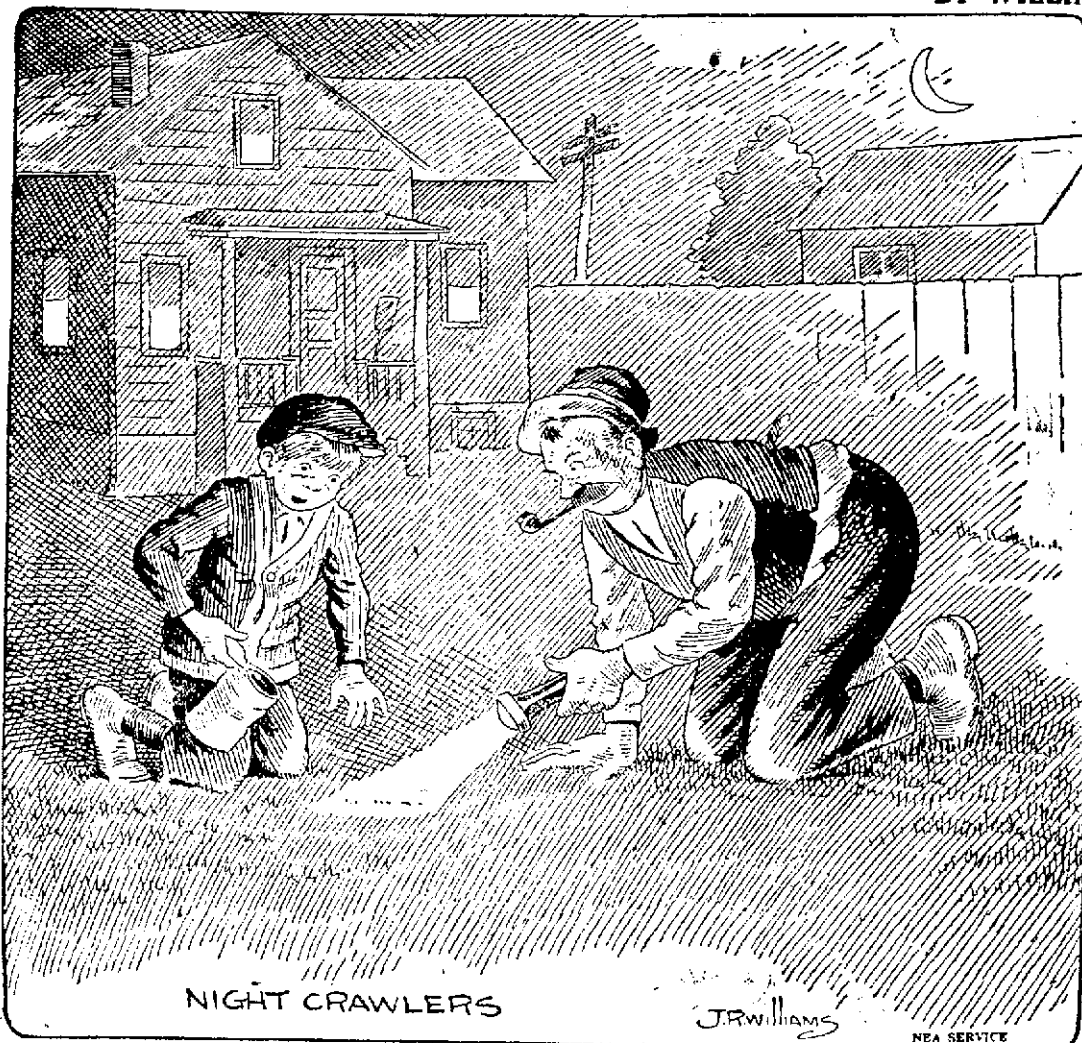
"Not always. I've found them very useful on some occasions. In fact, even more effective than a personal visit," laughed Wilton. "But tell me how you broke the news."

"I didn't. You did. It's the biggest joke. It was dad you were talking to over the phone this morning and not me!"

"Your father!"

"Sure. He's the whole works up at the Sunset City Coal. Didn't you know it? The phone on my desk is an extension of his, and I listened in to part of the conversation. Don't

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know what made me do it, but I could hardly sit still when he sauntered into my cubbyhole of an office and magnanimously offered me the position of vice president. But maybe I didn't walk the floor before he came in. It seemed to me six lifetimes. Instead of a little less than an hour, 'Time is not a thing of minutes or hours or days. It's a matter of events,' said the older man."

"I never realized it as thoroughly as I did today," laughed Harrison rising.

After he had left, Wilton lit a cigar, put his foot upon the desk and indulged in a prolonged chuckle.

"I thought that would bring the old chap around," he laughed to himself. "And the boy doesn't suspect a thing. Wonder whether he heard me tell him Myrtle's coming in for \$200,000 of her mother's money when she's twenty-one. Hope not, anyhow."

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## CHARGE COAL CONSPIRACY

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The federal trade commission issued a complaint against the Northwestern Coal Dock Operators' association of Minneapolis, charging conspiracy to suppress competition in anthracite and bituminous coal throughout the northwest.

## FOIL MAY-DAY PLOT

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—A round-up of radicals by the combined city, state and federal forces, is said to have frustrated plans for a huge May-day demonstration in the industrial centers.



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## IRISH IRREGULARS ATTACK DOCKYARD

CORK.—By The Associated Press.—Irregular forces made an abortive attack on the Haulbowline Island dockyard in Cork harbor early Friday, pouring a hail of machine gun bullets into the buildings from two points on the main land. The Free State troops in two hours succeeded in clearing the attacking party from their positions. The irregulars escaped.

## Bomb Wrecks Theater

DUBLIN.—Three men and a woman placed a mine outside the Central theater Friday and hastened away. The explosion damaged the front of the theater, wrecked a nearby drug store and seriously damaged shops across the street. One of the four is believed to have been injured.

HEARS FROM DEAD MOTHER.—A scribbled note, purporting to be a message from his dead mother, was received by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle during a seance with Miss Aida Bonnet, distinguished Toledo medium.

## FLONDA MOVES TO ABOLISH PEONAGE

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—The Florida legislature advanced another step toward abolishing the practice of leasing convicts to private individuals and firms Friday when a senate bill passed in amended form a senate bill looking to that end. The vote was 61 to 5. The amendments include provisions covering treatment of prisoners.

## WATSON OPPOSES ENTRY INTO EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—The republican party is committed to a policy of non-involvement in the disputes of Europe, Senator Watson, Indiana, one of the party leaders said in an address.

## INVITES GIRL SCOUTS

WASHINGTON, D. C.—At the invitation of Mrs. Harding delegates attending the fifth annual convention of the National Council of Girl Scouts held their concluding session Friday in the White House grounds.

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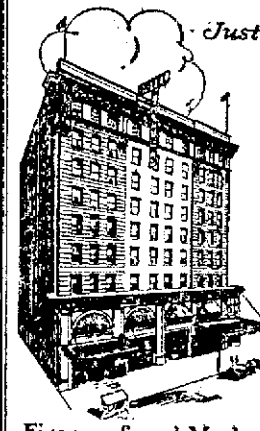
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PREMIER PRAM PUSHER—THE FIRST STRAW—BACKS—WHALE IN COURT—RUTH'S SWAT THE FIRST



WINS THE "PRAM DERBY"—Mrs. Lily Charlotte Groom, who won the baby-carriage pushing contest from London to Brighton, England, covering the 52 miles in 13 hours and 26 minutes.



WELL, GIRLS, GLAD TO SEE YOUR BACK!—Time to pull that old wheeze since the annual epidemic of "perfect back" contests has started. Philadelphia is first affected with it this year. Here are two leaders in the contest, Miss Billie Van Dyke (left) and Miss Jackie Green.



RUTH DEDICATES NEW YANKEE STADIUM—Scene: New Yankee Stadium, New York, largest baseball plant in the world. Time: First game of the season, third inning. Two Yanks on base and Babe Ruth, Behemoth of Swat, at bat. Two balls and two strikes. Emke, Boston pitcher, tries a low floater on the outside. Bam! Babe baptizes the new right field bleachers with fire. Above you see Ruth trotting in after his prodigious swat, with Umpire Connolly looking back to see that he touched the plate.



MRS. CRIGUI MAKES A HEFTY FENCE—Mrs. Eugene Crigui recently arrived from Paris to see her husband, featherweight champion of Europe, fight Johnny Kilbane for the world title. Here Mrs. Crigui hands her spouse a wicked one on the jaw at his training quarters in Manhasset, Long Island. Maybe you don't believe he's his sparring partner, but it makes a good picture, anyway.



BOBBED HAIR TABOO IN FOLLIES—Flo Ziegfeld, who has started another beauty discussion by declaring his Follies girls more beautiful than Venus, has ordered that none of the Follies girls shall cut their hair. Those who have bobbed it must let it grow. Miss Nellie Savage, above, has longest hair of any of them—36 1/4 inches.



SAVED IN CRASH OF SEAPLANE—The P-4-L, former army bomber converted into a seaplane, was forced to land off Conoy Island, New York, in the night. Robert Dewey, a relative of the famous admiral, was pilot of the plane. He swam a half mile to shore for aid. Here are shown the plane and four of the survivors (left to right) Eugene Rhodes, Mrs. Muriel Boggs, of Detroit, only woman passenger, Dewey and Joseph S. Haube.



FIGHTING FIRE WATER WITH FIRE—When revenue officers came across this moonshining outfit in St. Mary's county, Md., near the national capital, they decided the best way to put it out of commission was to set it afire.



WHEN THE GARRET-DWELLERS FROLIC—The general conception of Greenwich Village inhabitants is that they are a lot of studious, garret-dwelling artists, authors and actors. But here's a glimpse of what the Playboys Ball will be like. Miss Nadya Ben-Dror (left) as a South American maiden, and Miss Peggy Martin, as King Tut's sister.



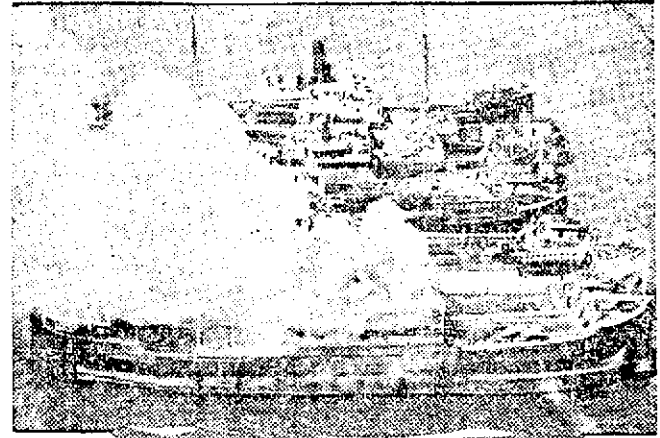
NEW AS REFEREE—Postmaster-General Harry S. New acts as referee in the District of Columbia marble-shooting contest. Here he is watching Alton Garne who won and who will represent Washington at the National Marble Shoot at Atlantic City.



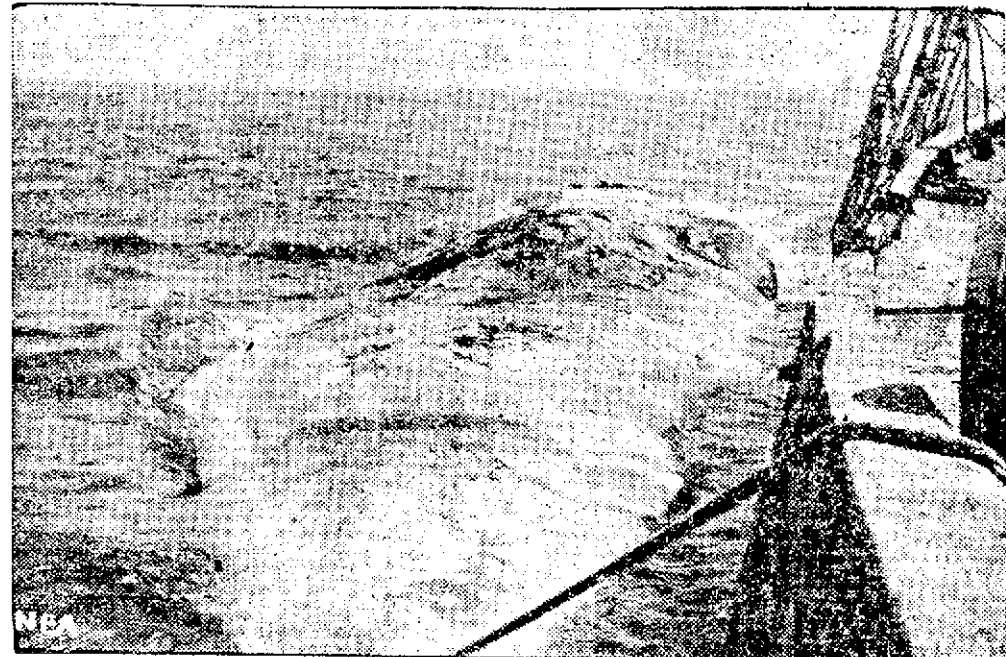
THE FIRST ONE—Dr. Arroxellas Galvan, police commissioner of Rio Janeiro, arrived in New York wearing the first straw hat of the season.



ON THE SCHUYLKILL—It isn't every river that can boast oarswomen. If you stroll along the Schuylkill at Philadelphia you would very likely see Miss Ruth Sharpless and other girls out in single shells.



FIVE U. S. SHIPS GO UP IN SMOKE—Fire destroyed five of a fleet of wooden ships being transferred up the Potomac from the shipping board base in the James river. A Marine Corps aviator snapped this picture and marines from Quantico helped save other vessels.



BRINGING A WHALE INTO COURT—This 75-ton whale, towed into harbor at Biloxi, Miss., was the subject of one of the most unusual cases in American legal history. T. J. Desporte brought the whale into port for exhibition after tourists had sighted it. Roelio Lopez of New Orleans, obtained a writ of replevin, saying he saw it first. When the defendants gave no bond, U. S. Marshal J. C. Tyler offered it for sale to the highest bidder, because it was "perishable goods." The whale is the first ever exhibited on the Gulf of Mexico.



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